PATENT APPLICATION

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WITH VARIABLE VALVE MECHANISM

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;

Remarks.